Gauge conversion between Mehboob Nagar and Hyderabad

4012. SHRI SAIFULLA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the gauge conversion work from Mehboob Nagar to Hyderabad is yet to be completed;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) by when the said work is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) to (c) The work of gauge conversion of Mehboobnagar-Hyderabad section, has since been completed and commissioned to traffic on 21.8.1993.

Damage to cement and urea at Kalaikunda Railyard

4013. SHRI JOYANTA ROY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that huge quantity of cement belonging to Orissa, JDCOL and urea of some other traders was completely damaged by rain sometime in the month of June, 1996, in the Kalaikunda Railyard of South Eastern Railway; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Air-Conditioned Warehouses for Horticultural Products

4014. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of air-conditioned warehouses maintained by the Indian Warehousing Corporation throughout the country to keep horticultural products; and

(b) whether Government propose to extend this facility throughout the rest of the country?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) There is no Corporation named as 'Indian Warehousing Corporation', under the Control of Government of India. The Central Warehousing Corporation which is under the administrative control of Ministry of Food has only one air conditioned warehouse at Calcutta. This godown is owned by Shellac Development Council to store Shellac and other commodities.

(b) Central Warehousing Corporation do not have any proposal to set up air-conditioned warehouses. However, Government of India through Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority is providing assistance to Air and Sea Port Authority to establish controlled atmospheric warehouses.

Refund of Examination Fee by IGNOU

4015. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indira Gandhi National Open University had held a selection test for the post of Junior Assistant Typists during the first half of 1996;

(b) whether applications for this selection were invited from the open market in 1995;

(c) whether desiring candidates were asked to pay examination fee in the form of Indian Postal Order;

(d) whether a large number of candidates were not called for the written examination;

(e) whether the examination fee in such cases has since been refunded; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) No examination fee was charged. Application forms were, however, made available on payment and all eligible candidates were called for written and skill test.

(e) and (f) Do not arise.

Reports of the National Commission for women

4016. SHRIMATI JAYAPRADA NAHATA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Commission for Women released several reports of its expert committee on the 30th July, 1996;

(b) if so, what are the total number of such reports submitted to Government;

(c) what are the details of the same; and

(d) by when these reports will be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. R. BOMMAI): (a) Yes, Sir. The National Commission for Women has released 16 reports.

(b) After the release of these Reports the National Commission for Women has not made any recommendation to the Government under Section 10 of the National Commission for Women Act, 1990.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Inclusion of Udaipur Lake under NLCP

4017. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry had included the Udaipur Lake System in Phase-I under the National Lake Conservation Plan (1996—2001);

(b) if so, what action the Central Government have taken so far after submission by the State Government of a revised project report of Rs. 135.8 crores out of which the State Government had agreed to share 50 per cent of the cost at the meeting of Committee of Secretaries held on the 6th March, 1996; and

(c) the latest progress report and the action taken on proposed sanctioning of Rs. 879.83 lakhs for 1996-97 budgetary allocations by the Central Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD): (a) to (c) The Government of Rajasthan had submitted a project proposal on the Udaipur Lake System at a revised cost of Rs. 135.80 crores in November, 1995 for inclusion in the National Lake Conservation Plan. However, the National Lake Conservation Plan has not been approved by the Government in the VIII Plan.

Lawlessness in Delhi University

4018. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a Professor in the Law Faculty of Delhi University was recently shot in the University Campus;

(b) whether it is also a fact that lawlessness in the Delhi University has been on the rise;

(c) if so, what are the reasons attributed to the growing lawlessness in the Delhi University; and